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ATTENUATION OF TUMOR GROWTH, METASTASIS AND

**ANGIOGENESIS** 

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

## In the Claims

- 1. (three times amended) A method to decrease angiogenesis comprising administering to a site in an individual in need of treatment thereof <u>for an established disorder requiring angiogenesis</u> an effective amount of a purified [glycosaminoglycan degrading enzyme] <u>chondroitinase</u> to decrease angiogenesis at the site, wherein the decrease in angiogenesis is measured as a decrease in endothelial cell proliferation or a decrease in the formation of capillary-like structures.
- 2. (amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the enzyme is selected from the group consisting of [bacterial glycosaminoglycan degrading enzyme is selected from the group